

UTILITY APPLICATION

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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR HIGH-SPEED
MICROFLUIDIC DISPENSING USING TEXT FILE
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- ☒ Specification in 70 pages.
- ☒ Drawings in Twenty-eight (28) sheets.
- ☒ Request for Three Month Extension of Time (copy - in BIODOT.028A)

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CONTINUITY INFORMATION:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/945,388, filed August 30, 2001, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/229,003, filed August 30, 2000, and which is a continuation-in part of U.S. Application No. 09/571,452, filed May 16, 2000, abandoned, which is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 09/146,614, filed September 3, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,063,339, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/070,988, filed January 9, 1998, the entire disclosure of each one of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

- ☒ Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior applications is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

OTHER APPLICATION PARTS:

- ☒ Return prepaid postcard.

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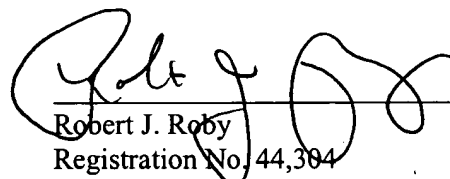
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Independent > 3	2 - 3 = 0	2201 (\$43)	0 x 43 =	\$0
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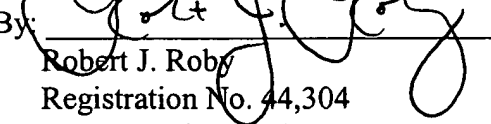
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